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Applicants cancel claims 1-6 and 16.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of the remaining pending claims 7-15 and 17-18.

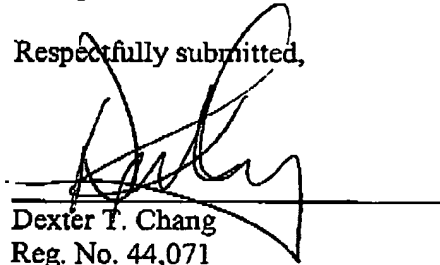
Claims 1, 3-6, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/005810 to Mohebbi; and claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mohebbi in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0130688 to Hashem et al. Applicants cancel the rejected claims.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's implicit finding that the additional references made of record, but not applied, do not render the claims of the present application unpatentable, whether these references are considered alone or in combination with others.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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